

PROCLAMATION BREAST CANCER AWARENESS DAY

JUNE 28, 2006

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the second most common kind of cancer and the second leading cause of cancer deaths among women in the United States; and

WHEREAS, although we do not yet know the exact causes of breast cancer, researchers have discovered several factors that can increase a person's risk of developing the disease, including age, characteristics of certain genes, and a family history of breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, because treatment is more likely to be successful when breast cancer is detected early, regular screening is vital; and

WHEREAS, Clear Channel Radio and the Mandan Rodeo Committee are partnering with the American Cancer Society to increase awareness about the importance of screening and early detection and to raise funds for breast cancer research and treatment; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are encouraged to recognize the importance of breast cancer prevention and treatment, and to do their part to help find a cure for this disease so people can live longer and healthier lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim June 28, 2006, **BREAST CANCER AWARENESS DAY** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/ John Hoeven Governor

Attest:

/s/ Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State